

Local Items.

RAILROAD SCHEDULES.—The following are the hours at which the trains on the C. C. and A. R. R. pass Winnsboro:

REGULAR PASSENGER—NIGHT.	
For Charlotte,	1.10, A. M.
For Augusta,	2.33, A. M.
ACCOMMODATION FREIGHT—DAY.	
For Augusta,	10.25, A. M.
For Charlotte,	11.33, A. M.

New Advertisements.

Notice—James Jones.
Law Card—A. M. Mackey.
Just Received—F. W. Habenicht.
Winnsboro Chapter—W. N. Chandler, Secretary.
To the School Trustees of Fairfield County.
Notice to Taxpayers—James Q. Davis, Special Agent.

The grand jury of Fairfield, composed of twelve white and six colored citizens, "recommend unanimously that the citizens of Fairfield county shall promptly pay the Hampton Contribution."

A CLERGYMAN'S OPINION.—Having had an opportunity to test the excellent qualities of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, I hesitate not to say, it is the best remedy I have ever used in my family.—*Rev. Wm. H. Chapman, Pastor M. E. Church, Georgetown, D. C.*

On Monday, about noon, the residence of Mr. Patrick Hastings seven miles from Winnsboro caught on fire and was entirely consumed. Mrs. Hastings was in the front yard, and hearing a roaring went to the rear of the house, when she discovered the flames breaking through the roof. Only about one-fourth of the furniture was saved. This is a serious loss.

On Monday night Mack McDaniel a colored local preacher was met about seven miles from Winnsboro on the Water road by Henry Wallace, also colored. An altercation ensued, and the parties grappled. Wallace beat McDaniel with a club and then knocked him into a deep ditch, inflicting injuries from which McDaniel died Tuesday morning. A warrant for the arrest of Wallace was issued by Justice Robertson, and Justice Harvey left Winnsboro on Tuesday to hold an inquest. Full particulars have not been received. It is not known whether Wallace was the aggressor or whether he acted in self-defence.

COLLECTION OF TAXES.—Special Agent, Jas. Q. Davis opened, his book on Saturday last for the collection of the ten per cent. contribution called for by the Constitutional House. His office is in the room in rear of Mr. A. P. Miller's store near the post-office. Among the first to pay was Matilda Rosborough, a worthy and well known colored woman, who came to contribute her mite to the lawful government of the State. A number of colored men also paid on Saturday. Senator T. J. Robertson, through his agent, also paid his quota. The amount collected up to four o'clock on Tuesday was \$640.13. It will be seen by reference to an advertisement published elsewhere, that Mr. Davis will visit different points in the county, thus saving taxpayers the trouble of coming to Winnsboro.

The Circuit Court.

The following is a synopsis of the business disposed of at the recent term of the circuit court, in addition to that mentioned in the last issue of THE NEWS AND HERALD:—

State vs. June Terrill and Samuel Terrill, indicted for grand larceny—Gaillard & Reynolds for defendant. Samuel Terrill. Verdict—As to Samuel Terrill, Not guilty; as to June Terrill, Guilty, with a recommendation to the mercy of the court.

State vs. Thomas A. McGill, indicted for assault with a deadly weapon—*nolle prosequi* entered by the Solicitor, at the request of the prosecuting witness.

State vs. Emanuel Edgington, William Stone, Jefferson Stone, Samuel Stone, Bart Sims, Samuel Mabry, Henry Davis, Belton Tobias, Ivy Suber, indicted for burglary and grand larceny—A. M. Mackey for defendants. Verdict—Not guilty. The defendants in this case were charged with entering and robbing the store of Mr. Wm. McC. Blair, at Strother, in this county. The case had attracted considerable attention, and its trial was attended by an unusually large number of spectators.

State vs. John H. Cathcart, indicted for disturbing a meeting con-

vened for religious worship—Saml. W. Melton for defendant. Verdict—Not guilty.

State vs. Seldon M. Smart, John W. Smart and Albert Smart, indicted for conspiracy to murder, and assault with intent to kill—Gaillard & Reynolds for defendants. R. Means Davis and Henry N. Obear of counsel. Verdict—Not guilty.

This case was brought by Warren R. Marshall, and the circumstances attending it have already been alluded to in THE NEWS AND HERALD. There was a personal difficulty between Mr. S. M. Smart and Mr. Marshall, and the sons of the former, intending to resent the injury done to their father, went to Marshall for satisfaction. On his refusal to accord any, they went to a grove near Ridgeway for the purpose of meeting him. He turned off in one direction, and the two boys in another. In thus going one of the latter shot his pistol in the air. The verdict of the jury shows the real merits of the case. His Honor the presiding judge made the following entry on the docket, with reference to this case: "The charge in this case was not in any degree sustained by the proofs. The evidence conveys the impression that the prosecuting witness was the unhappy victim of a mere delusion."

State vs. Sampson Harris, indicted for resisting an officer in the discharge of duty—James G. McCants for defendant. Verdict—Not guilty. The defendant in this case had resisted Mr. J. W. McCreight, who was sent by the sheriff to levy upon certain agricultural produce in the possession of the accused. The authority of Mr. McCreight consisted in the endorsement upon the warrant the following words: "I hereby constitute and appoint J. W. McCreight my special deputy to execute the within warrant. S. W. Ruff, S. F. C." The defence made the point that McCreight was not a legal deputy, and the court, sustaining the position, instructed the jury to acquit the defendant. The point thus established is that deputies must be appointed by the sheriff and be approved by the court, first taking the proper oath.

State vs. Robert Harris, indicted for burglary and larceny—H. A. Gaillard and A. M. Mackey for defendant. Verdict—Guilty. At the close of the trials, his Honor passed the following sentences upon the prisoners convicted during the term:—

Wyatt Goings, grand larceny—nine months at hard labor in the State penitentiary.

Glenn Davis, grand larceny—nine months at hard labor in the penitentiary.

David Gordon, assault and battery with a deadly weapon—\$25 fine and costs, or three months in the county jail.

June Terrill, grand larceny—three months at hard labor in the penitentiary.

Berry Davis and Frank Stark, grand larceny—nine months each at hard labor in the penitentiary.

Robert Harris, burglary and larceny—one year at hard labor in the penitentiary.

The court adjourned at 12 o'clock, p. m., on Saturday.

The following is the presentment of the grand jury for the term of court just ended:—

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
County of Fairfield,

JANUARY TERM.

To his Honor T. J. Mackey, Presiding Judge:

The grand jury make the following presentment:

We have visited the jail and find it in good condition, well kept and secure, the prisoners well treated and provided with suitable bedding and food. We found twenty-six prisoners in jail, all colored.

We find there are thirty-one inmates of the Poor House, twenty-five white and five colored; that they are well fed, well clothed and well treated. The kitchen of the Poor House is out of repairs, but the County Commissioners propose repairing it as soon as the taxes are collected.

We have examined the offices of the Clerk of the Court, the Sheriff, the Judge of Probate, County Commissioners and School Commissioner, and find that their books are neatly and orderly kept.

We have examined the books of the County Treasurer, and find that at the end of the fiscal year 1875 there was left over from last year's fund five hundred and forty-seven dollars and 18 cents, (\$547.18). The county at present is out of debt, and there is a balance of one hundred (\$100) dollars to the county's credit over and above all audited claims.

December, 1876; that of J. R. Harvey, County Commissioner, expired on the 7th December, 1876; that of Carter Beatty, County Commissioner expired on the 23rd December, 1876; that of Silas W. Ruff, sheriff, expires on the 6th October, 1879. The term of office of T. R. Robertson, Trial Justice, expires on 1st February, 1877; that of James Aiken on the 5th February, 1877; and that of James R. Harvey on the 6th November, 1878. We therefore recommend that Trial Justices be appointed by his Excellency Governor Wade Hampton to fill the vacancies that will shortly occur. We find that John M. Martin, I. B. Smith and C. W. Cummings have received commissions from ex-Governor Daniel H. Chamberlain. None of these have, however, endeavored to exercise the duties of their offices. We find that the School Commissioner and the Judge of Probate are the only officers elected at the last general election that have qualified within the time prescribed by law. The bonds of these two officers are in our opinion good and sufficient, and are on file in the County Commissioners' office and recorded in the Clerk's office. We find that the county is without a Coroner, and therefore recommend that one of the Trial Justices be designated by his Excellency Governor Wade Hampton to act as Coroner until the Legislature shall order an election to fill the vacancy. We find the cost of each inmate of the Poor House to the county for the fiscal year ending 31st October, 1876, was twenty cents per diem.

The crossings on the C. C. & A. Railroad have been reported to us as being in a bad way; and we condemn the practice of the Railroad in leaving their dump cars at the crossings of the Railroad.

The roads and bridges were in extra good condition up to the recent rains, except a dangerous hole about ten feet wide and ten feet deep immediately on the west side of Bell's Bridge in the public road.

We would respectfully recommend that the jury certificates and witness certificates be received for county taxes.

We recommend unanimously that the citizens of Fairfield county shall promptly pay the Hampton contribution.

The grand jury, having carefully examined many witnesses from both political parties and of both races, fail to discover any truth in the allegation set forth in various papers and otherwise, to wit: "That a reign of terror existed in and about Ridgeway or within the limits of Fairfield county at any time previous to, during, or subsequent to the late election." Notwithstanding the heated caravans and general suspicion of both parties, their leaders were diligent in their efforts to preserve the peace and order of our Commonwealth, and, to their credit be it said, their efforts were crowned with a happy success. The witnesses examined unanimously concur in the opinion that our election was a fair one. We have failed to hear of any instance of violence to voters from either side.

Touching the matter of the conspiracy charged by Warren R. Marshall, the grand jury have examined many witnesses and thoroughly considered the subject, and find that Warren R. Marshall as a Trial Justice had a case before him, in which Seldon M. Smart was a party; that out of this case a quarrel arose, followed by a personal rencounter in which Mr. Smart was worsted; that pending the difficulty, Nicholas P. Myers' agency was merely that of a peace maker; that the quarrel was naturally espoused by the two young sons of Mr. Smart, who, however, inflicted no injury upon Mr. Marshall. The grand jury have with great reluctance come to the conclusion that Mr. Marshall, at that time a candidate for nomination for office, endeavored to make political capital out of this merely personal difficulty; that his alarm was feigned; that he was well assured of protection by those able and willing to defend him; that he endeavored to make it appear that he was in danger on account of his political opinions, and thereby to procure his nomination; that the testimony showing that Mr. Marshall is intelligent and not known ever to have been insane, forces the foregoing conclusion upon the minds of the jurors; that the physician who attended Mrs. Marshall in her last illness testified that her death was not caused by alarm for the safety of her husband, but from the effects of typhoid pneumonia.

S. R. JOHNSON, Foreman.

Winnsboro Chapter No. 2, R. A. M.

A regular convocation of this Chapter will be held on Monday, February 5th, at 7 o'clock, p. m. Companies will please come prepared to pay dues.

WM. N. CHANDLER, Secretary.

To the School Trustees of Fairfield County:

THERE are no funds at present available for school purposes in Fairfield County. Nor can it be ascertained when there will be. As the deficiencies which have yearly accrued in unpaid certificates have materially affected the welfare of the educational system, we have decided after mature deliberation not to add to this embarrassment. It therefore becomes our duty reluctantly to notify you to close all public schools which have been opened, until you receive further notice from us. We recommend the establishment of pay schools wherever practicable. So soon as any funds are received for the use of the schools they will be re-opened.

WILLARD RICHARDSON, R. MEANS DAVIS, T. R. ROBERTSON, N. J. JOHNSON, County Board of Examiners.

NOTICE.

ALL persons are hereby notified not to fish, hunt, enter, upon cut timber or in any way trespass on the lands of the undersigned, on pain of prosecution. I also request all parties indebted to myself or to Richard Jones, to make immediate settlement. All parties holding claims against either will present them for payment.

JAMES JONES.

Notice to Taxpayers.

I will visit the following-named places, at the times specified, to receive the Hampton Contribution:

Winnsboro, until	February 6.
Easterville,	" 7.
Morticello,	" 8.
Jenkinsville,	" 9.
Horb,	" 10.
Durham's (Boulware's Store),	" 12.
Gladden's Grove,	" 13.
Woodward's,	" 14.
White Oak,	" 15.
Doko,	" 16.
Ridgeway,	" 17-19.
Winnsboro, till	February, 25.

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